

IN THE CLAIMS

What is claimed:

1. (Currently Amended) A computer-implemented method of identifying a translation service provider in response to a translation request, the method comprising ~~the acts of:~~
registering a plurality of translation ~~services~~ service providers with a moderator;
for each of the plurality of translation service providers, creating a translator record for
a particular work experience of each translation service previously performed
by each translation service provider, the translator record including a plurality
of free fields containing data that characterizes the particular work experience
of each translation service;
receiving at the moderator a translation request record ~~record~~ from a user over a network, the
translation request seeking a translation service provider to translate a
document of the user from a first language to a second language, the translation
request record including a plurality of free fields each having an associated
identifier indicative of a desired work experience of the translation service
provider to perform the translation; and
in response to the request record, matching data in at least one free field of the
translator records of the plurality of translation service providers with ~~the~~
~~translation request using~~ at least one of the identifiers of the translation request;
and
generating a list of candidates of the translation service providers having at least one
translator record including at least one matched data in view of the at least one

identifier of the translation request to allow the user to select one or more of the candidates to translate the document from the first language to the second language.

2. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1, wherein ~~the creating a translator record comprises~~act includes the acts of:

displaying a translator record ~~to the~~of a translation service, the translator record having the plurality of free fields;

inputting data indicative of the particular work experience ~~by~~associated with the translation service into each of the plurality of free fields;

transmitting the translator record of free fields via an internet connection to the moderator;

receiving the translator record of free fields at the moderator; and

storing the translator record of free fields in a storage of the moderator.

3. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1, wherein one of the free fields of the translator record prompts the translation service provider for a language pair identifier indicative of work experience in translating ~~the~~a first language to ~~a~~the second language.

4. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1, wherein the moderator includes a website in communication via an internet connection with the translation service provider and the user making the translation request.

5. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1, wherein the identifiers input into the free

fields of the request record includes a language pair indicative of desired work experience in translating from ~~the~~ first language to ~~the~~ second language.

6. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1, further ~~including the act of comprising~~ displaying each translator record of free fields with at least one free field having data that matches identifiers in one or more of the free fields of the translation request record, wherein each translator record is anonymous in regard to the associated translation service provider.

7. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 6, further ~~including the acts of comprising:~~ selecting a displayed translator record of free fields associated with the translation service provider having data indicative of work experience that matches one or more identifiers in the translation request record;
retrieving from the moderator ~~a~~ contact information for the translation service provider associated with the selected translator record; and
displaying the contact information of the ~~translated translation~~ translation service provider associated with the selected translator record to the user, such that the user can directly contact the translation service provider in an attempt to negotiate a translation service to be performed on the document of the user.

8. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1, further ~~comprising the acts of:~~ retrieving the translator record created by the translation service provider from the moderator;
editing data in one or more of the free fields by the translation service provider; and
transmitting a revised translator record to the moderator; and

storing the revised translator record at the moderator.

9. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1, wherein one of the free fields of the translator record receives data indicative of a subject matter ~~of the translation service's work experience~~ associated with respective translation service.

10-19 (Canceled)

20. (New) A computer-readable storage medium having computer instructions stored therein, which when executed by a computer, cause the computer to perform a method for identifying a translation service provider in response to a translation request, the method comprising:

registering a plurality of translation service providers with a moderator;

for each of the plurality of translation service providers, creating a translator record for a particular work experience of each translation service previously performed by each translation service provider, the translator record including a plurality of free fields containing data that characterizes the particular work experience of each translation service;

receiving at the moderator a translation request from a user over a network, the translation request seeking a translation service provider to translate a document of the user from a first language to a second language, the translation request including a plurality of free fields each having an associated identifier indicative of a desired work experience of the translation service provider to perform the translation;

in response to the request record, matching data in at least one free field of the translator records of the plurality of translation service providers with at least one of the identifiers of the translation request; and generating a list of candidates of the translation service providers having at least one translator record including at least one matched data in view of the at least one identifier of the translation request to allow the user to select one or more of the candidates to translate the document from the first language to the second language.

21. (New) The computer-readable storage medium of claim 20, wherein creating a translator record comprises:

displaying a translator record of a translation service, the translator record having the plurality of free fields;
inputting data indicative of the particular work experience associated with the translation service into each of the plurality of free fields;
transmitting the translator record of free fields via an internet connection to the moderator;
receiving the translator record of free fields at the moderator; and
storing the translator record of free fields in a storage of the moderator.

22. (New) The computer-readable storage medium of claim 20, wherein one of the free fields of the translator record prompts the translation service provider for a language pair identifier indicative of work experience in translating the first language to the second language.

23. (New) The computer-readable storage medium of claim 20, wherein the moderator includes a website in communication via an internet connection with the translation service provider and the user making the translation request.

24. (New) The computer-readable storage medium of claim 20, wherein the identifiers input into the free fields of the request record includes a language pair indicative of desired work experience in translating from the first language to the second language.

25. (New) The computer-readable storage medium of claim 20, wherein the method further comprises displaying each translator record of free fields with at least one free field having data that matches identifiers in one or more of the free fields of the translation request, wherein each translator record is anonymous in regard to the associated translation service provider.

26. (New) The computer-readable storage medium of claim 25, wherein the method further comprises:

selecting a displayed translator record of free fields associated with the translation service provider having data indicative of work experience that matches one or more identifiers in the translation request;

retrieving from the moderator contact information for the translation service provider associated with the selected translator record; and

displaying the contact information of the translation service provider associated with the selected translator record to the user, such that the user can directly contact

the translation service provider in an attempt to negotiate a translation service to be performed on the document of the user.

27. (New) The computer-readable storage medium of claim 20, wherein the method further comprises:

retrieving the translator record created by the translation service provider from the moderator;

editing data in one or more of the free fields by the translation service provider;

transmitting a revised translator record to the moderator; and

storing the revised translator record at the moderator.

28. (New) The computer-readable storage medium of claim 20, wherein one of the free fields of the translator record receives data indicative of a subject matter of the translation service's work experience.

29. (New) A computer system, comprising:

a processor; and

a memory coupled to the processor for storing computer instructions, which when

executed from the memory, cause the processor to perform a method, the method including

registering a plurality of translation service providers with a moderator,

for each of the plurality of translation service providers, creating a translator

record for a particular work experience of each translation service

previously performed by each translation service provider, the translator

record including a plurality of free fields containing data that characterizes the particular work experience of each translation service, receiving at the moderator a translation request from a user over a network, the translation request seeking a translation service provider to translate a document of the user from a first language to a second language, the translation request including a plurality of free fields each having an associated identifier indicative of a desired work experience of the translation service provider to perform the translation, in response to the request record, matching data in at least one free field of the translator records of the plurality of translation service providers with at least one of the identifiers of the translation request, and generating a list of candidates of the translation service providers having at least one translator record including at least one matched data in view of the at least one identifier of the translation request to allow the user to select one or more of the candidates to translate the document from the first language to the second language.